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Senate Bill No. 370

Senate, April 16, 2018

The Committee on Appropriations reported through SEN. OSTEN of the 19th Dist. and SEN. FORMICA of the 20th Dist., Chairpersons of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING HIGHER EDUCATION FUNDING.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) The Office of Higher Education, in
- 2 consultation with the institutions of the state system of higher
- 3 education and the constituent unit boards of trustees, shall review the
- 4 current means of funding higher education in the state to determine
- 5 whether such education is being provided by the most cost-efficient,
- 6 equitable and effective means. On or before October 1, 2018, the
- 7 executive director of the Office of Higher Education shall submit, in
- 8 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,
- 9 the results of the review to the joint standing committees of the
- 10 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
- 11 appropriations and the budgets of state agencies and higher education.
- 12 The results shall include recommendations for revisions to funding for
- 13 higher education and any legislation necessary to implement such
- 14 revisions.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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APP *Joint Favorable*

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OFA Fiscal Note***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None***Explanation***

There is no cost to the Office of Higher Education or the constituent units of higher education to conduct a study to determine whether higher education is being provided by the most cost-efficient, equitable and effective means, as the agencies have the expertise necessary to do so.

The Out Years***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None

OFA Bill Analysis**SB 370*****AN ACT CONCERNING HIGHER EDUCATION FUNDING.*****SUMMARY:**

The bill requires the Office of Higher Education (OHE), in consultation with the institutions of the state system of higher education and the constituent unit boards of trustees, to review the current means of funding higher education to determine if it is being provided for in a cost-efficient, equitable and effective way. On or before October 1, 2018, the executive director of OHE must report the findings to the appropriations and higher education committees.

EFFECTIVE DATE: From Passage

COMMITTEE ACTION

Appropriations

Joint Favorable

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